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<b>REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL</b>  <b>MAIL STOP RCE</b> Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450  Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995	<b>Application Number</b> 09/914,650	
	<b>Confirmation Number</b> 9665	
	<b>Filing Date</b> August 31, 2001	
	<b>First Named Inventor</b> ZHANG, ERIC YIJING,	
	<b>Group Art Unit</b> 1731	
	<b>Examiner Name</b> Marc S. Alvo	
	<b>Matter Number</b> Q66048	
	<b>Title</b>	METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING BLEACHED MECHANICAL AND CHEMITHRMOMECHANICAL PULP

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

**1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

- a. ☒ Previously submitted
- i. ☒ Please enter and consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on December 4, 2003
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (IDS)
- iv. ☒ Petition for Extension of Time
- v. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**2. MISCELLANEOUS**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**3. FEES**

A check for the RCE statutory fee of \$770.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

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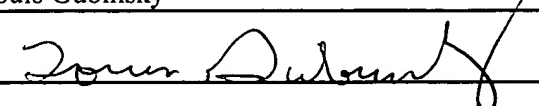
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